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ARE SAVED

Du Poisse der Company's Boom City

FIRE CAUGHT IN RESTAURANT

Loss Is Estimated at Over Two Millions and Thousands of People Are Homeless.

Norfolk Va., Dec. 19.-Hopewell, he boom town of 25,000, near Peterspurst, Va., founded by the Du Pont powder company, virtually was destroyed by fire late yesterday. At 9 m, the flames still were uncontroled, but it was said there was littie left to burn in the town, and the company's powder mill, some disance away, was not believed to be in danger. The biaze started in a resfaurant. The financial loss is estimated roughly at \$3,000,000 and hosnands of homeless families last night were taken to Richmond and etersburg on special trains.

Nearly every building in the town, which had sprung up with a rapidity magestive of the western mining set liements of the 60s, was made of wood. A high wind mided the spread of the flames and within a few minutes after they were discovered several blocks were on fire. Fire nen who were rushed from Rich nond and Petersburg were powerless o check the conflagration.

Six companies of state troops sent to prevent cloting and looting among the frantle laborers and their right still mere troops were sent to he stricken town and reports indi sated that the military authorities had the situation well in hand,-

A Petersburg militia company last night was placed in the downtown at six o'clock. After supper the serving order among the thousands pouring in from the burned town, All saloons in Petersburg were closed a o'clock. The Petersburg city coun il held a special session to plan re of measures and the city's churches tere opened as sleeping places for e homeless.

The fire started at 1.45 o'clock yesgiven by Adam Drum, a boy, who saw moke coming from the roof of a three-story restaurant building. He rushed into the building and rescued baby with which he leaped into a danket held by the crowd below. The boy then entered the building next door and brought out a second

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infant. Mothers and fathers with inthrown together during the summer doyes, and several were injured. Despite the place of origin of the

fire, there were persistent reports last night that it had been started by an incendiary, who might have been the accomplice of an employe of the Du Pont factory arrested Wednesday night. Officials of the powder company refused to discuss the incendiary theory or the arrest, but it was said the man in custody had aroused the suspicion of the private police force, which for months has kept a close pairol about the plant.

BOYS' CLUB ORGANIZED

Clearing House for Y. M. C. A. Junior Activities.

On Tuesday evening of this week the Junior members of the Y. M. C. A. held a supper, which was followed by the organization of a club the object of which is to give more definiteness to the activities of the boys, simply by designating committees, cocfal, membership, religious, physical, etc.., and assigning to each their respective duties.

Twenty-five Junior members were become a charter member of the club. The election of officers was then held, and George Spargo was and the U. S. will seek other means chosen for president; Paul C. Howe vice president; Calvin F. Moore, secre ary and Robert Flart, treasurer. The officers will meet tomorrow morning ollowing the gymnasium class, to draw up a constitution and by-laws to submit for discussion at the next regular meeting, which will fall on Monday nights hereafter.

A committee of three from the

adies' Auxiliary had charge of the upper, with Mrs. F. L. Bottum actng as chairman. They presentthe boys with the re east, but at subsequent meetings, of which a like supper will be no he least interesting part, members vill pay 10c each toward the cost. The Auxiliary will assign three ladies each week, so as to distribute the vork, Mrs. Arthur J. Holden will act es chairman of the supper committee next Monday night.

It is planned to give Monday after noon and early evening to the boys. Their gymnasium class will comfrom four to five-thirty. From that they will go direct to the dining room president will call a business me ing of all present. This will be fo lowed by a short character-building talk by some older person, and the

Scouts will meet finally. It will be the duty of the boys' soc ial committee to formulate rules with the consent of all for the con duct of their game room, and to en force them, to see that game mater erday afternoon. The niarm was in is properly handled, lights are economized, waste paper put where it belongs, etc. This will require a boy on duty after school each after noon. The membership committee will have in charge the interesting of new boys. The religious work com mittee will provide speakers. The athletic activities of the boys will go through the physical committee. Additional committee will be designat-

> ed if needed. The club is not "one thing more, idded to the busy day of the average boy, but an orderly and purposeful arrangement of a few things which ic is already doing. Neither is it sometiling new," but a successful cature in most thriving associations fairly bristling with possibilities of times good and profitable.

INTERESTING EXHIBITS

To Be Shown at the Fortnightly Tomorrow.

gational chapel tomorrow afternoon will include some very interesting features, not only from local hand craft, and samples of the splendid work being done by our boys and girls in the High school, but also articles from distant parts of the state. The most unique feature of the exhibit is that loaned by a group of adies in St. Albans and Isle la Motte, showing beautiful samples of hand weaving from original designs, colored with vegetable dyes made by themselves, skeins of linen thread colored with these wonderful dyes, and both filet and crocheted laces in original designs and after old English patterns. This work is truly artistic and a wonderful example of what can be done with materials

within the reach of all. The program also includes music by Abe Noveck; violinist, accompanied by Duane Bassett and old English carols to be sung by Mrs. L. H. Ross. Mrs. J. M. Ayers, Mrs. H. W. Tirrell and Mrs. W. J. Meagher.

A Christmas tea will close the afternoon, arranged by Mrs. Arthur E. Hollister and Miss Florence Wal-

infant. Mothers and fathers with infants in their arms fled from the frame buildings that were hurrledly NOTE TO AUSTRIA HOLIDAY TRADE IS SAID TO BE AN BENNINGTONTS ULTIMATUW PROMISING

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ALLIES DRIVEN INTO GREECE NOT DUE TO WAR ORDERS

Advancing Bulgarians and Teutons Have Forced French and British Across Greek Frontier.

Washington, Dec. 10.-it is said here today that the U. S. note to Austria relative to the sinking of the Ancona is in effect an ultiperium.

The report says that the note de-

clares that the killing of American citizens is an act of war on the part present and each stated his desire to of Austria and that it must be disavowed and reparation made or diplomatic relations will be broken off of safeguarding American lives.

> Athens, Dec. 10.-The allied French and British froops in the southeast corner of Serbia and south western Bulgaria are continuing their retreat. At one point they have been driven across the Greek frontier. The advancing Tenton and Bulgarian armies have not crossed the line but are intrenching just over the border.

The French and British forces have not attempted to make a decisive stand against the enemy, but are seeking to delay their advance until nore reinforcements can be brought up from Saloniki.

Berlin, Dec. 10 .- The Socialist members of the Reichstag today met in caucus and voted almost unani mously that the reply of Chancellor Bellmann-Hollweg to the Socialist query in regard to peace is entirely satisfactory

London, Dec. 5. Counterattacks by the French forces near Sounin in Champagne have won back most of earlier in the week. The French an tillery, according to the Paris official report, has been a great factor in preventing the Germans from consoli dating their new positions. A Ger man munitions depot in this region has been blown up.

London, Dec. 10 .- A dispatch to Renter's telegram company from British headquarters in Macedonia sent Wednesday, says:

"The Bulgarian attacks during the past two or three days have been more serious than were originally re ported The Bulgarians show con stantly increasing strength and seem to be well supplied with artillery, which keeps up a constant fire. Like the Germans, the Bulgarians deluge their objective with shell fire before attacking with infantry.

"Since Sunday the British lines have engaged the principal share of their attention and before the super or strength of the enmy our outposts are gradually falling back to the main putition. Some hand-to-hand part of the Greeks at Saloniki towfighting has occurred.

"The few Buigarian prisoners takin declare they have no wish to fight against the entente allies but are anxious to meet the Greeks and wipe out old scores. As the lines of the entente allies contract upon the Greek frontier, the problem of the attitude of the Greek government be-The Fortnightly exhibit of the Arts comes more and more acute. and Crafts committee at the Congre-

"The French withdrawal to Demir-Kapu was most orderly. They brought away even their stores of hay and forage.

San Juan, Porto Rico, Dec. 3.-The Porto Rico liner Coamo was stopped this morning by the French cruiser Descartes, which took four German firemen from the merchant man on board the warship. The search lasted from 2 to 5.30 o'clock, the officers and crew and the entire

list of passengers being examined. It is reported that the Descartes was looking for Waldemar Repp. German consul at Sau Juan, and John Stubbe, the Austrian consul, who are now in New York,

Chief Steward Schande of the Porto Rico liner Carolina was taken from that vessal last night. The Coamo and the Carolina are

American steamships, owned by the New York and Porto Rico Steamship company. The Coamo was bound for San Juan from New York, having left that port on December 4. The Carolina arrived at San Juan December I and was to have salled thence for Ponce.

New York, Dec. 9.-A cablegram New York and Porto Rico line stated had been held up and searched by a Mainc.

"The situation in Salouiki last Sun-

Present Prosperity of the Town More Striking Than at Any Previous Time in Three Years

There are more men now being employed in local industries than at any time in the five past Christmas seasons, according to the statement of a local factory owner vesterday.

There are very few able-bodied men that can work and are willing to work, who are at present out of em-

ployment. A strange feature of this condition is that Bennington is not relying on its prosperity very heavily on war orders. There are a few scattering war orders being filled here, but mostly indirectly, that is, machine parts and machinery shipped to other cities for the making of war materiald.

Bennington people lately returned from visiting in Pittsfield claim that city, which contains one of the largest plants in the country owned by a corporation engaged in manufacture of munitions and accessories, has the greatest attack of business "blues" of any community hereabout.

Christmas in Bennington will be celebrated royally and the prosperity is apparantly sound and not depending on the frail foundation of a business boom the result of talk or war. An illustration of this comes in the release of several mon who have been working on out-door construction work during the fall for the Power Construction company. Nearly all of them had, it is reported, found

laid off. The banks are about to disburse he Christmas club money and while the actual amount is not yet made public, it is safe to say that there will be more money in circulation in Bennington this year than ever be

positions within 48 hours after being

The storekeepers, almost without exception, are loud in their prosperity talk as the volume of business during the fall has passed beyond the totals of a year ago. Traveling men also are unanimous in claiming that Bennington's business from the sales they make in this vicinity is beyond other Vermont towns in proportion to opulation.

French cruiser. Both vessels fly the American flag.

Karl Schnade, a steward, was taken W the Carolina the message stated. and four firemen had been removed. London, Dec. 9.-The Daily Telegraph's Saloniki correspondent, in a dispatch sent by mail in order to avoid the Greek censorship, gives instances of veiled hostility on the ard the Allies.

He says that no sooner had the irst centingent of troops landed than the prices of all commodities ! doubled and tripled. The highest tariff was applied for the transportation of munitions and supplies, augmented by a super-tax of 5 per cent. The full passenger rate was exacted for each soldier, plus a 7 1-2 per cent. super-tariff. The State Director of Railways insisted that the cost of each train should be paid in gold before it left Saloniki.

If allied officers rented a house the military authorities stepped in and annulled the contract, claiming that the house was needed for the State. The same thing was done as regards horses, carts, etc.

"Karaburun fort at the entrance of the Bay of Saloniki, has been secretly strengthened, defense works constructed and heavy guns mounted," the correspondent continues. "The presence of submarine mines has been discovered stored as if ready to be launched at the mouth of the Vardar River, Trenches and barbed wire defenses have been constructed on the heights above Saloniki turned toward the direction of our camps. Even artillery has been mounted on these heights with the muzzles turned in our direction. In stead of concentrating the mobilized Greek army along their eastern frontier, where the Bulgarian danger

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threatens, it has been concentrated around Saloniki and along the routes that would be followed should the Franco-British and Serbian troops have to retreat from Gheveeli and

day, Nov. 21, became so critical owing to certain military movements made during the day by the Greeks that it was suspected the Greeks were preparing to attack us that same night. Our fleet in the port cleared for action. All steamers long the quays and docks were ordered to leave, and constant watch was kept up throughout the night from various points in the city. Fortunately, nothing happened, either because the steps taken by the fleet became known to the Greeks or because no harm was really intended.

TAFT FOR WILSON PLAN

Former President Stands Between Bryan and Roosevelt.

Importance of the United States as a world power and the necessity for preparedness for defense were emphasized by William H. Tart in an address in Chicago vesterday before the man of this village was not indicted Chicago association of commerce, on a criminal charge for the shooting While there Mr. Taft denied a report that he was supporting Elihu Root for the republican nomination for president. "I said that I believed Mr. Root to be the best equipped ber. The peas destroyed both of the man in the country for president," said Mr. Taft. "I did not mean to convey the impression that I was working for his nomination." The former president declared in favor of four bills found and one not found. President Wilson's preparedness plan Continuing his address, he said:

"I differ with Mr. Bryan and Mr. Roosevelt on the question of prepared. Mr. Bryan is opposed to all preparedness. He says we can get an army of 1,000,000 men between sunrise and sunset. I think he is wrong. Mr. Roosevelt characterizes those of us who favor the league of peace as men who are 'prattling' about it. He says we need a great standing army. The truth is when Roosevelt gets talking about warkke matters he comes up as Mars does over the horizon, red in color, and we must take his statements with that in view. On the whole I favor President Wilson's plan for preparedness."

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of invention, and so life insurance was invented to safeguard the necessaries for the man who, insures and lives to old age, while guaranteeing guments was made. he same service for his family if he does not live. National Life Ins Co., of Vt. (Mutual.) Earle S. Kinsley, General Agent, Mead Building, Rutland, Vt. Adv.

GRAND JURY

Report Says That Indictment Failed By Single Vote

GRAND JURY 13 DISCHARGED

Failure to Indict Will Not Stop Civil Suit Against Mr. Oatman For Damages.

While no official information can be secured to that effect it is generally understood that Charles P. Oatof Walter Hollister, the 16-year-old boy who received a charge of peas in the face while stealing grapes from the Oaiman garden early in Septem-

boy's eyes. The grand jury, which went into session Wednesday forenoon was discharged Thursday after reporting From admissions made by members of the grand jury it is understood that the bill "not found" was in the case of Mr. Oatman. It is also understood that he escaped indictment by a single vote. The grand jury is composed of 18 members and a two thirds vote is required to secure an indictment. Eleven are alleged to have voted for an indictment and

nine against it. Failure to return an indictment is not likely to materially change the status of civil suit brought against Mr. Oatman by the injured boy's relatives. Even had an indictment been returned it is probable that the civil suit would be heard before the prosecution by the state.

The evidence in the case of John Kinney vs. Thomas Austin, a suit brought to recover for alleged damages to crops by sheep, was completed this forenoon and one of the ar-

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